



Proclamation

Presented to

Genro Kashiwa

◆ Recipient of the National Order of the Legion of Honour ◆

WHEREAS, Genro Kashiwa was awarded the National Order of the Legion of Honour, a French order established by Napoleon Bonaparte in May, 1802; the award is bestowed upon French citizens and foreigners who have delivered outstanding civil or military contributions to France; and

WHEREAS, Genro Kashiwa was named to the rank of *chevalier* (knight); the highest civilian tribute bestowed by the nation of France; and

WHEREAS, Genro Kashiwa served as a Technical Sergeant with the highly decorated 442nd Regimental Combat Team in World War II, and was a member of the L Company of the 3rd Battalion; and

WHEREAS, Genro Kashiwa earned two Silver Stars, a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart while serving with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team in World War II; and

WHEREAS, Genro Kashiwa's French homeland military battles included the "Battle of Bruyères"; the rescue of the "Lost Texas Battallion"; Battle in pursuit of the German defenders retreating from the Vosges Mountains; Battle in the liberation of Sospel, France; and the Battle of maritime Alps above Nice, France, known as the "Champagne Campaign;" and

WHEREAS, Genro Kashiwa attended the University of Michigan Law School after the war and a led a distinguished career as an attorney from 1951 to 2005;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim July 17, 2011 as

"GENRO KASHIWA DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in congratulating Genro Kashiwa for receiving the National Order of the Legion of Honour from the French Government.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eleventh day of July, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i